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BEFORE THE

ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION

ILLINOIS POWER COMPANY)
) DOCKET NO.
) 03-0114
)
 Application for a certificate of)
 public convenience and necessity)
 pursuant to Section 8-406 of the)
 Illinois Public Utilities Act to)
 construct, operate and maintain)
 a new 138,000 volt electric line)
 in Monroe County, Illinois.)

Tuesday, May 6, 2003
 Springfield, Illinois
 Met, pursuant to notice, at 10:00 a.m.

BEFORE:

MR. JOHN ALBERS, Administrative Law Judge

APPEARANCES:

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(Appearing on behalf of Illinois
 Power Company.)

SULLIVAN REPORTING CO., by
 Laurel A. Patkes, Reporter.

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3 MR. ANDREW G. HUCKMAN (present by phone)

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7 (Appearing on behalf of staff
8 witnesses of the Illinois Commerce
9 Commission.

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PROCEEDINGS

(Whereupon IP Exhibit 4.6 and ICC Staff Exhibit 2.00 Revised were marked for identification at this time.)

JUDGE ALBERS: By the authority vested in me by the Illinois Commerce Commission, I now call Docket No. 03-0114. This docket was initiated by Illinois Power Company. It seeks Commission approval of an application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity pursuant to Section 8-406 of the Public Utilities Act.

May I have the appearances for the record, please?

MR. LAKSHMANAN: Joseph L. Lakshmanan (L-a-k-s-h-m-a-n-a-n), 500 South 27th Street, Decatur, Illinois 62521, appearing on behalf of Illinois Power Company.

MS. BUELL: Appearing on behalf of staff witnesses of the Illinois Commerce Commission, Linda M. Buell and Andrew G. Huckman. My address is 527 East Capitol Avenue, Springfield, Illinois 62701.

1 JUDGE ALBERS: Thank you.

2 Let the record reflect there are no
3 others wishing to enter an appearance.

4 Are there any preliminary matters
5 this morning?

6 Well, the purpose of today's hearing
7 is to admit into evidence certain prefiled
8 testimony, and with that in mind, I will just go
9 ahead and swear in all the witnesses who will be
10 offering testimony today.

11 So could those of you who are on the
12 phone please stand and raise your right hand and the
13 staff that's present today as well?

14 (Whereupon the witnesses were sworn
15 by Judge Albers.)

16 JUDGE ALBERS: Thank you.

17 And with that, I understand Illinois
18 Power is going to lead off?

19 MR. LAKSHMANAN: Yes, Your Honor.

20 First as a preliminary matter,
21 Illinois Power moves the admission of the prepared
22 direct testimony of Cheryl A. Smith, and that's IP

1 Exhibit 3.1, as well as the affidavit of Cheryl A.
2 Smith which was submitted yesterday on e-docket as
3 IP Exhibit 3.2, and she sponsored three exhibits
4 that are listed both in her prepared direct
5 testimony and were attached to the petition itself.
6 Those were exhibits were C, D, and E. These are
7 also identified in her affidavit.

8 JUDGE ALBERS: Any objection to IP Exhibits
9 3.1 and 3.2?

10 MS. BUELL: Staff has no objection, Your Honor.

11 JUDGE ALBERS: Those exhibits are admitted.

12 (Whereupon IP Exhibits 3.1 and 3.2
13 were admitted into evidence at this
14 time.)

15 MR. LAKSHMANAN: I assume that includes the
16 attached exhibits to the petition, C, D, and E, Your
17 Honor?

18 JUDGE ALBERS: Since those are attached to the
19 petition, they're in the record in that respect.

20 Is there any changes to them?

21 MR. LAKSHMANAN: No, there are no changes. I
22 just wanted to make sure that they were part of the

1 record.

2 JUDGE ALBERS: Yes, absolutely.

3 MR. LAKSHMANAN: Illinois Power Company calls
4 Martin J. Hipple as its first witness.

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6 MARTIN J. HIPPLE

7 called as a witness herein, on behalf of Illinois
8 Power Company, having been first duly sworn on his
9 oath, was examined and testified as follows:

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11 DIRECT EXAMINATION

12 BY MR. LAKSHMANAN:

13 **Q.** Would you please state your name and address?

14 **A.** Martin J. Hipple (H-i-p-p-l-e), Illinois
15 Power Company, 500 South 27th, Street, Decatur
16 Illinois.

17 **Q.** What is your position with Illinois Power
18 Company?

19 **A.** I'm manager of electric and gas planning.

20 **Q.** Have you prepared certain testimony and
21 exhibits to offer in this docket, Docket 03-0114?

22 **A.** Yes, I have.

1 exhibits that have been marked as IP Exhibits 1.2,
2 1.3, 1.4, and 1.5?

3 **A.** Yes, I do.

4 **Q.** Were these exhibits prepared under your
5 supervision and direction?

6 **A.** Yes, they were.

7 **Q.** Are these exhibits identified in your prepared
8 direct testimony, Revised IP Exhibit 1.1?

9 **A.** Yes.

10 **Q.** Do you have any corrections or changes to make
11 to IP Exhibits 1.2, 1.3, 1.4 or 1.5?

12 **A.** No, I do not.

13 MR. LAKSHMANAN: Illinois Power Company offers
14 into the record Revised IP Exhibit 1.1 as well as IP
15 Exhibits 1.2, 1.3, 1.4, and 1.5.

16 MS. BUELL: Staff has no objection, Your Honor.

17 MR. LAKSHMANAN: Mr. Hipple is tendered for
18 cross-examination.

19 JUDGE ALBERS: Thank you.

20 Does staff have any questions for
21 Mr. Hipple?

22 MS. BUELL: Staff has no cross for this

1 witness, Your Honor.

2 JUDGE ALBERS: Thank you.

3 Mr. Hipple, I have just one or two
4 clarifying questions for you.

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6 CROSS-EXAMINATION

7 BY JUDGE ALBERS:

8 **Q.** Are you familiar with the attachment to Mr.
9 Hardas's testimony?

10 **A.** Yes, I am.

11 **Q.** Looking at the testimony you submitted, you
12 indicate that the total estimated direct cost for
13 the new 138 kV line is 1.8 million and the total
14 estimated direct cost of the entire project is 5.5
15 million, correct?

16 **A.** That's correct.

17 **Q.** I just want to make sure I understand the
18 responses to the data request that's included in
19 Mr. Hardas's testimony.

20 Could you help me understand where
21 the 1.8 and the 5.5 are within the response to data
22 request PH-1?

1 **A.** PH-1 includes the direct cost for the
2 entire project, the direct cost being the total
3 direct cost of construction plus the right-of-way
4 cost, and I think Mr. Hardas in his exhibit here has
5 \$5,326,570 for construction costs, 153,800 for
6 right-of-way cost. That total rounded was the 5.5
7 million.

8 **Q.** Okay. I understand that.

9 Where does Line B fit in then? Is
10 that included in any of the cost estimates?

11 **A.** Line --

12 **Q.** The total indirect cost of construction.

13 **A.** The indirect cost of construction again was
14 not included in my 5.5 million.

15 The numbers here, the direct cost
16 includes the 138 kV line, the substation, the 34 kV
17 line, and a breaker at Dupo Ferry substation. Those
18 are all part of the direct construction costs in
19 response PH-1.

20 **Q.** What do indirect costs include?

21 **A.** I'm not sure I'm the best person to answer
22 that, but I can give you an indication that that

1 includes the overhead such as paid absence,
2 employee benefits, material loadings, administrative
3 and general cost.

4 **Q.** Okay. That's the kind of thing I was
5 wondering, the types of cost.

6 **A.** Okay.

7 **Q.** Okay.

8 And then on PH-2 where it talks
9 about just the 138-kV line cost, the 1.8 is derived
10 by adding lines A and C?

11 **A.** That's correct.

12 **Q.** Okay. And again, \$572,930 of indirect cost is
13 the same kind of indirect costs as before?

14 **A.** Right.

15 JUDGE ALBERS: Okay. I just wanted to make
16 sure I understood how all this fits together.
17 That's the only questions I had.

18 Thank you, Mr. Hipple.

19 THE WITNESS: You're welcome.

20 JUDGE ALBERS: Actually, let me bother you one
21 more time.

22 **Q.** As far as the questions on data request PH-3

1 and 4, would you or Mr. Badger be better able to
2 speak to that? And specifically, the question
3 would be, essentially, is it the same type of
4 analysis of how the costs fit together as what you
5 just gave me?

6 **A.** I think I can answer that. The answer is
7 yes, it's the same type of analysis we just looked
8 at, the cost for the Line C route for the 138 kV
9 line, I'm sorry, the Route C option for the 138 kV
10 line.

11 JUDGE ALBERS: Okay.

12 Mr. Badger, I think Mr. Hipple just
13 spared you some time.

14 Thank you very much.

15 Did the company have any redirect?

16 MR. LAKSHMANAN: No, the company has no
17 redirect, Your Honor.

18 (Witness excused.)

19 JUDGE ALBERS: Then hearing no objection to any
20 of the exhibits that have been offered regarding
21 Mr. Hipple's testimony, Revised IP Exhibit 1.1 along
22 with attachments 1.2 through 1.5 are admitted.

1 (Whereupon Revised IP Exhibit 1.1 and
2 Exhibits 1.2 through 1.5 were
3 admitted into evidence at this time.)

4 MR. LAKSHMANAN: Illinois Power Company calls
5 William G. Badger as its next witness.

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7 WILLIAM G. BADGER
8 called as a witness herein, on behalf of Illinois
9 Power Company, having been first duly sworn on his
10 oath, was examined and testified as follows:

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12 DIRECT EXAMINATION

13 BY MR. LAKSHMANAN:

14 **Q.** Would you please state your name, spell it,
15 and give your business address, please?

16 **A.** My name is William G. Badger. Last name is
17 B-a-d-g-e-r, and the address is 500 South 27th
18 Street, Decatur, Illinois.

19 **Q.** What is your position with Illinois Power
20 Company?

21 **A.** I'm a senior engineer.

22 **Q.** Have you prepared certain testimony and

1 exhibits to offer in this docket, Docket 03-0114?

2 **A.** Yes, I have.

3 **Q.** Do you have before you a copy of a document
4 that's been marked for identification as IP Exhibit
5 2.1 bearing the caption "Prepared Direct Testimony
6 of William G. Badger"?

7 **A.** Yes, I do.

8 **Q.** Does that document consist of nine pages of
9 questions and answers in written form?

10 **A.** Yes, it does.

11 **Q.** Is IP Exhibit 2.1 the prepared direct
12 testimony you wish to offer in this docket?

13 **A.** Yes, it is.

14 **Q.** Do you have any corrections or changes to make
15 to IP Exhibit 2.1?

16 **A.** No, I do not.

17 **Q.** If I were to ask you the questions shown on IP
18 Exhibit 2.1 at this hearing, would you give the
19 same answers as shown on that exhibit?

20 **A.** Yes, I would.

21 **Q.** Do you have also before you a copy of exhibits
22 that have been marked as Exhibits A and B to the

1 petition and IP Exhibits 2.2 and 2.3?

2 **A.** Yes, I do.

3 **Q.** Were these exhibits prepared under your
4 supervision and direction?

5 **A.** Yes, they were.

6 **Q.** Are these exhibits identified in your prepared
7 direct testimony, IP Exhibit 2.1?

8 **A.** Yes.

9 **Q.** Do you have any corrections or changes to make
10 to Exhibits A, B, or IP Exhibits 2.2 or 2.3?

11 **A.** No, I do not.

12 MR. LAKSHMANAN: Illinois Power Company offers
13 into the record IP Exhibit 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, and it's
14 my understanding that the Exhibits A and B are
15 already in the record as attached to the petition.

16 JUDGE ALBERS: Correct.

17 MR. LAKSHMANAN: Thank you.

18 MS. BUELL: Staff has no objection, Your Honor.

19 JUDGE ALBERS: Hearing no objection and given
20 that Mr. Hipple has already answered the questions
21 that I had for Mr. Badger, I'll go ahead and admit
22 the exhibits into the record.

1 IP Exhibit 2.1, 2.2 and 2.3 are
2 admitted.

3 (Whereupon IP Exhibits 2.1, 2.2 and
4 2.3 were admitted into evidence at
5 this time.)

6 JUDGE ALBERS: And, Mr. Badger, thank you for
7 your willingness to be present today. I apologize
8 for not having any questions for you now.

9 MR. LAKSHMANAN: Illinois Power Company calls
10 as its final witness Harry E. Chamelin.

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HARRY E. CHAMELIN

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called as a witness herein, on behalf of Illinois
14 Power Company, having been first duly sworn on his
15 oath, was examined and testified as follows:

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DIRECT EXAMINATION

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BY MR. LAKSHMANAN:

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Q. Would you please state your name, spell it,
20 and then provide your business address?

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A. My name is Harry E. Chamelin. That's

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C-h-a-m-e-l-i-n, and my address is 500 South 27th

1 Street, Decatur, Illinois 62525.

2 **Q.** What is your position with Illinois Power
3 Company?

4 **A.** I am a senior environmental professional in
5 the Environmental Programs Department.

6 **Q.** Have you prepared certain testimony and
7 exhibits to offer in this docket, Docket 03-0114?

8 **A.** Yes, sir.

9 **Q.** Do you have before you a copy of a document
10 that's been marked for identification as IP Exhibit
11 4.1 bearing the caption "Prepared Direct Testimony
12 of Harry E. Chamelin"?

13 **A.** Yes, sir.

14 **Q.** Does that document consist of seven pages of
15 questions and answers in written form?

16 **A.** Yes, sir.

17 **Q.** Is IP Exhibit 4.1 the prepared direct
18 testimony you wish to offer in this docket?

19 **A.** Yes, sir.

20 **Q.** Do you have any corrections or changes to make
21 to IP Exhibit 4.1?

22 **A.** No, sir.

1 **Q.** If I were to ask you the questions shown on IP
2 Exhibit 4.1 at this hearing, would you give the
3 same answers as shown on that exhibit?

4 **A.** Yes, sir.

5 **Q.** You also have before you a copy of exhibits
6 that have been marked as IP Exhibits 4.2, 4.3, 4.4
7 and 4.5?

8 **A.** Yes, sir.

9 **Q.** Were these exhibits prepared under your
10 supervision and direction?

11 **A.** Yes, sir.

12 **Q.** Are there any -- strike that.

13 Are these exhibits identified in your
14 prepared direct testimony, IP Exhibit 4.1?

15 **A.** Yes, sir.

16 **Q.** Do you have any corrections or changes to make
17 to IP Exhibits 4.2, 4.3, 4.4, or 4.5?

18 **A.** No, sir.

19 **Q.** Do you also have before you a copy of a
20 document that's been marked as IP Exhibit 4.6, and
21 for the record, it is titled "Phase I Cultural
22 Resource Survey, Illinois Power Valmeyer line,

1 Valmeyer, Illinois, April 7, 2003"?

2 **A.** Yes, sir.

3 **Q.** Was this document provided to you by SCI
4 Engineering, Inc. As part of a Phase I cultural
5 survey for the line that's at issue in this case?

6 **A.** Yes, it was, sir.

7 MR. LAKSHMANAN: Illinois Power Company would
8 move the admission of IP Exhibits 4.1, 4.2, 4.3,
9 4.4, 4.5, and 4.6.

10 MS. BUELL: Staff has no objection, Your Honor.

11 JUDGE ALBERS: Do you have any questions for
12 Mr. Chamelin?

13 MS. BUELL: No, we do not.

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15 CROSS-EXAMINATION

16 BY JUDGE ALBERS:

17 **Q.** Mr. Chamelin, could you just basically
18 summarize what you believe to be the content of
19 Exhibit 4.6?

20 **A.** Looking at the summary, there's an
21 archaeological survey, a short report at the
22 beginning of this report I'm thinking, a short

1 dissertation about what they actually found.

2 The note is on Page 2. At the top of
3 the page it has an X, and it says, "Phase I
4 archaeological reconnaissance has located
5 archaeological materials. Site does not meet
6 requirements for National Register eligibility.
7 Therefore, project clearance is recommended."

8 **Q.** Is that the end of your summary basically?

9 **A.** Yeah. Actually, what that says is that the
10 project can essentially proceed if they just find
11 some archaeological assets, but evidently, they
12 weren't of such value that they're doing any more
13 work with them.

14 **Q.** Is there any type of final official
15 notification then that the company will receive from
16 the historic preservation agency approving the
17 project from their perspective?

18 **A.** Yes. I spoke with Joseph Phillippe of the
19 Illinois Historic Preservation Agency last Thursday
20 afternoon, and he informed me that Illinois Historic
21 Preservation agreed with this report and that the
22 project could proceed and that I should be receiving

1 a letter from them which indicates that the project
2 can proceed, and I should be getting that letter
3 within the next few days.

4 **Q.** So then to the best of your knowledge, there's
5 no reason that the Commission should expect any
6 change in the plans from Illinois Power?

7 **A.** Yes, sir, that is correct.

8 MR. LAKSHMANAN: Your Honor, if it would be
9 helpful for the record, when we receive that letter,
10 Illinois Power would be willing to submit that as a
11 late filed exhibit, IP Exhibit 4.7 just to keep them
12 in order if that's acceptable.

13 JUDGE ALBERS: Okay. Does staff have any
14 objection to that?

15 MS. BUELL: Not at all, Your Honor.

16 JUDGE ALBERS: Okay. I think that's a
17 reasonable recommendation.

18 We'll then identify that letter as IP
19 4.7 as Mr. Lakshmanan has suggested, and once that
20 comes in, I guess you want to send that directly to
21 me, and I can take care of having it stamped and
22 gotten to the clerk's office.

1 MR. LAKSHMANAN: Thank you. We will do that.

2 JUDGE ALBERS: Thank you, Mr. Chamelin. That's
3 all I wanted to ask you.

4 (Witness excused.)

5 JUDGE ALBERS: Okay. Then hearing no
6 objections, then IP Exhibit 4.1 and attachments 4.2
7 through 4.6 are admitted, and IP Exhibit 4.7 is also
8 admitted with the understanding that it will be a
9 letter from the historic preservation agency
10 indicating that that agency has no objection to the
11 project proceeding as proposed.

12 (Whereupon IP Exhibits 4.1 through
13 4.7 were admitted into evidence at
14 this time.)

15 MR. LAKSHMANAN: Thank you, Your Honor.

16 JUDGE ALBERS: And just so I'm 100 percent
17 clear, everything but 4.6 and 4.7 is on e-docket,
18 right?

19 MR. LAKSHMANAN: That's correct, Your Honor.

20 JUDGE ALBERS: Okay.

21 Did IP have anything else then?

22 MR. LAKSHMANAN: That's Illinois Power

1 Company's case, Your Honor.

2 JUDGE ALBERS: Okay. Thank you.

3 MS. BUELL: Your Honor, staff calls James D.
4 Spencer to the stand.

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6 JAMES D. SPENCER

7 called as a witness herein, on behalf of staff of
8 the Illinois Commerce Commission, having been first
9 duly sworn on his oath, was examined and testified
10 as follows:

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12 DIRECT EXAMINATION

13 BY MS. BUELL:

14 **Q.** Would you please state your full name spelling
15 your last name for the record, please?

16 **A.** My names is James D. Spencer
17 (S-p-e-n-c-e-r).

18 **Q.** Mr. Spencer, who's your employer and what is
19 your business address?

20 **A.** I'm employed by the Illinois Commerce
21 Commission as a senior energy engineer. My address
22 is 527 East Capitol Avenue, Springfield, Illinois

1 62701.

2 **Q.** Mr. Spencer, do you have before you a document
3 which has been marked for identification as ICC
4 Staff Exhibit 1.00 which consists of a cover page,
5 six typewritten pages, and is titled "Direct
6 Testimony of James D. Spencer"?

7 **A.** Yes.

8 **Q.** Did you prepare this document for presentation
9 in this matter?

10 **A.** Yes.

11 **Q.** Do you have any additions or corrections to
12 make to ICC Staff Exhibit 1.00?

13 **A.** No, I don't.

14 **Q.** Is the information contained in ICC Staff
15 Exhibit 1.00 true and correct to the best of your
16 knowledge?

17 **A.** Yes, it is.

18 **Q.** And if I were to ask you the same questions
19 today, would your answers be the same?

20 **A.** Yes.

21 MS. BUELL: Your Honor, I move for admission
22 into evidence ICC Staff Exhibit 1.00, and I note for

1 the record that this is the same document that was
2 filed via e-docket on April 23, 2003.

3 JUDGE ALBERS: Okay. Thank you.

4 Any objection?

5 MR. LAKSHMANAN: No objections, Your Honor.

6 JUDGE ALBERS: Any questions?

7 MR. LAKSHMANAN: No questions, Your Honor.

8 JUDGE ALBERS: Staff Exhibit 1.00 is admitted.

9 (Whereupon ICC Staff Exhibit 1.00 was
10 admitted into evidence at this time.)

11 JUDGE ALBERS: I don't have any questions for
12 you either. Thank you, Mr. Spencer.

13 (Witness excused.)

14 MS. BUELL: In that case, Your Honor, staff
15 calls Phil Hardas to the stand.

16 Good morning.

17 MR. HARDAS: Good morning.

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1 PHIL A. HARDAS

2 called as a witness herein, on behalf of staff of
3 the Illinois Commerce Commission, having been first
4 duly sworn on his oath, was examined and testified
5 as follows:

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7 DIRECT EXAMINATION

8 BY MS. BUELL:

9 **Q.** Would you please state your full name spelling
10 your last name for the record?

11 **A.** Sure. My name is Phil A. Hardas
12 (H-a-r-d-a-s).

13 **Q.** And, Mr. Hardas, who's your employer and what
14 is your business address?

15 **A.** My employer is the Illinois Commerce
16 Commission. My business address is 527 East
17 Capitol, Springfield, Illinois 62701.

18 **Q.** And what is your position at the Illinois
19 Commerce Commission?

20 **A.** I'm a financial analyst within the Finance
21 Department.

22 **Q.** Mr. Hardas, did you prepare written exhibit

1 for submittal in this proceeding?

2 **A.** Yes.

3 **Q.** And do you have before you a document which
4 has been marked for identification as ICC Staff
5 Exhibit 2.00 which consists of a cover page, five
6 typewritten pages, and the attached schedules 2.01
7 and 2.02 and is titled "Direct Testimony of

8 **A.** Hardas"?

9 **A.** Yes.

10 **Q.** Did you prepare this document for presentation
11 in this matter?

12 **A.** Yes.

13 **Q.** Do you have any additions or corrections to
14 make to ICC Staff Exhibit 2.00?

15 **A.** Yes.

16 **Q.** Could you please tell us what those
17 corrections are?

18 **A.** Yes.

19 On Page 3, I have several corrections
20 starting on Line 42 and ending on 46, the first one
21 being on Line 42. The word primary route is changed
22 to second alternative route, and then I include

1 Route C in parentheses which was originally on Line
2 46 but I moved the Route C part up.

3 Then the next change is on Line 44.
4 I changed primary route again to second alternate
5 route.

6 And the last change is on Line 45. I
7 add to the sentence, "However, the first or second
8 alternate route..." The words "first or" were the
9 additions.

10 **Q.** And then on Line 46 you also struck in
11 parentheses Route C, is that correct?

12 **A.** Yes. That was the original Route C that I
13 said I moved up. Since I moved it up, it was the
14 deletion of that below on Line 46, yes.

15 **Q.** Thank you.

16 Do you have any other corrections to
17 make to your testimony?

18 **A.** No. I titled it as Illinois Staff Exhibit
19 2.00 Revised and also the schedules as Schedule
20 2.01 Revised and 2.02 Revised.

21 **Q.** But there were no changes?

22 **A.** No, no changes; just that title.

1 **Q.** And have these corrections been made on the
2 copy of your testimony, ICC Staff Exhibit 2.00
3 Revised that you handed to the court reporter this
4 morning?

5 **A.** Yes.

6 **Q.** And is the information contained in ICC Staff
7 Exhibit 2.00 Revised true and correct to the best
8 of your knowledge?

9 **A.** Yes.

10 **Q.** And if I were to ask you the same questions,
11 would your responses be the same today?

12 **A.** Yes.

13 MS. BUELL: Your Honor, I'd move for admission
14 into evidence ICC Staff Exhibit 2.00 Revised
15 including the attached Schedules 2.01 and 2.02, and
16 I'd note for the record that the revised testimony
17 has not been filed via e-docket.

18 JUDGE ALBERS: Thank you.

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20 CROSS-EXAMINATION

21 BY JUDGE ALBERS:

22 **Q.** Mr. Hardas, could you please on Line 42 just

1 starting reading the way it should appear?

2 **A.** Yes.

3 **Q.** Slowly, please.

4 **A.** Beginning on Line 42 it reads, "The first
5 alternate route (Route A) would cost less than the
6 second alternate route (Route C). Thus, analysis of
7 the cost of the first alternate route is not
8 necessary if Illinois Power's second alternate route
9 meets the requirement in Section 8-406(b)(3) of the
10 act. However, the first or second alternate route
11 would cost more than the primary route."

12 That includes all the changes.

13 **Q.** Okay. Thank you.

14 **A.** I have them marked here if that helps.

15 JUDGE ALBERS: I think I've got them now. I
16 just wanted to be sure.

17 Is there any objection from the
18 company?

19 MR. LAKSHMANAN: No objection.

20 JUDGE ALBERS: Any questions for Mr. Hardas?

21 MR. LAKSHMANAN: No questions.

22 JUDGE ALBERS: All right. Hearing no objection,

1 then ICC Staff Exhibit 2.0 Revised with attachments
2 2.01 Revised and 2.02 Revised are admitted.

3 (Whereupon ICC Staff Exhibits 2.00
4 Revised, 2.01 Revised and 2.02
5 Revised were admitted into evidence
6 at this time.)

7 JUDGE ALBERS: Does that conclude staff's
8 case?

9 MS. BUELL: That's correct, Your Honor.

10 JUDGE ALBERS: Well, with the admission of the
11 testimony and given the staff is recommending
12 approval of the proposed transmission line project,
13 is there any reason anyone would like to submit
14 briefs in this matter?

15 MS. BUELL: No, Your Honor.

16 MR. LAKSHMANAN: No Your Honor.

17 JUDGE ALBERS: Very good.

18 I will continue this matter generally
19 pending the receipt of Exhibit 4.7.

20 A proposed order won't be necessary
21 from the company. I think I can take care of that
22 in short order at some point in time.

Is there anything further from the company or staff?

MS. BUELL: Nothing from staff, Your Honor.

MR. LAKSHMANAN: No, Your Honor, nothing from IP.

JUDGE ALBERS: Okay. Hearing nothing further, then I will continue this matter generally.

Thank you.

(Whereupon the hearing was continued generally.)